SUBJECT No. 182.

A commission to enquire into the causes of the decimation of the malnad population.

Messrs. C. Vaman Rao and N. Subba Rao, Nagar Taluk; and C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that a commission may be appointed to enquire into the causes of the gradual decimation of the population in the malnad and that some effective remedies may be adopted for the improvement of the malnad tracts.

Reply of Government.—The appointment of a commission is unnecessary. The Deputy Sanitary Commissioner has been specially deputed to enquire into this question and his report is awaited. The chief difficulty in conducting the enquiry is the want of correct statistics of births and deaths and other information bearing on the subject, such as the cause of death, etc.

EDUCATION.

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SUBJECT No. 183.

A Law College at Bangalore.

Mr. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—A Law College may be established at Bangalore.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 184.

Establishment of Vedic Schools.

Mr. L. Narasimha Iyengar, Y. S. V. Sabha, Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—Vedic Schools may be established in all places where the Brahmin population is large.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 185.

Restricting the grant of Damodar Das Scholarships to Mysore students.

Messrs. K. Krishnachar, Seringapatam Taluk; and Venkatakrishnaiya and M. C. Ranga Iyengar, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Damodar Das scholarships may be confined to the subjects of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Reply of Government.—This is being done in practice.

SUBJECT No. 186.

Compulsory education.

(*a*) Messrs. K. Sankaranarayana Rao, Nagar Sabha; C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk; and Nadig Guru Rao, Tarikere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) Compulsory education may as an experiment be introduced in some places where facilities for it exist, and may gradually be extended to other places. A similar experiment is said to have been successful in Baroda and may be introduced here early.

(*b*) Compulsory agricultural education.

Mr. A. Ramanna, Yedatore Taluk.

(*b*) This being an agricultural country, agriculture may be made one of the compulsory subjects in all schools and colleges in the State.

(*c*) Introduction of compulsory education among the sons of Government servants.

Messrs. V. Raghavachar, Mysore Taluk; and Devoji Rao, Yedatore Taluk.

(*c*) Education may be made compulsory among the sons of Government servants in a few selected taluks as an experimental measure, and if this is found to work satisfactorily, it may be extended to other taluks and other classes of people.

(*d*) Compulsory education in all branches.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, N. Srikantaiya and Madappa, Mysore City Municipality.

(*d*) Primary education, literary, agricultural and industrial, may be made free and compulsory.

Reply of Government.—(*a*), (*c* & *d*). Noted.

(*b*) Noted. Separate schools will have to be started for agriculture. The subject cannot be made compulsory in the ordinary schools